



PUBLIC NOTICE

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC)
Wastewater Discharge Authorization Program/401 Certification
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Notice of Application for State Water Quality Certification

Public Notice (PN) Date: December 6, 2021

PN Reference Number: POA-2002-00393

PN Expiration Date: December 23, 2021

Waterway: Tanana River

Any applicant for a federal license or permit to conduct an activity that might result in a discharge into navigable waters, in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) of 1977 (PL95-217), also must apply for and obtain certification from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation that the discharge will comply with the CWA, the Alaska Water Quality Standards, and other applicable State laws.

Notice is hereby given that a request for a CWA §401 Water Quality Certification of a Department of the Army Permit application, Corps of Engineers' Reference Number POA-2002-00393, Tanana River, has been received for the discharge of dredged and/or fill materials into waters of the United States (WOUS), including wetlands, as described below and shown on the enclosed project figures/drawings. The public notice and related project figures/drawings are also accessible from the DEC website at <http://dec.alaska.gov/water/wastewater/>.

Any person desiring to comment on the project with respect to water quality, may submit comments electronically via the DEC public notice site (**preferred method**) at <https://water.alaskadec.commentinput.com/?id=d9ks5>.

Alternatively you may direct written comments or requests for public hearing via email or mail to the address listed above by the Public Notice (PN) expiration date. All comments submitted via mail or email should include the PN reference number listed above in the subject heading. Mailed comments must be postmarked on or before the expiration date of the public notice.

Applicant: Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities, 2301 Peger Road Fairbanks, AK, 99709, Brett Nelson, Environmental Manager, Northern Region, 9074512238, brett.nelson@alaska.gov

Project Name: Tanana River DOT PF Manley Airport Improvements

Location: The project site is located at the Manley Hot Springs Airport, at Sections 17 & 20, T. 2 N/, R. 15 W., Fairbanks Meridian; Latitude 64.99203°, Longitude -150.64119°; in Manley Hot Springs, Alaska.

Purpose: The applicant's stated purpose is to improve the Manley Hot Springs Airport in Manley Hot Springs, Alaska by constructing a new taxiway and general aviation apron for public use.

Project Description: The applicant proposes placement of approximately 14,736 cubic yards (CY) of bowwow material and 1,254 cubic yards of Riprap into 2.42 acres of WOUS, including wetlands. The proposed project would consist of constructing new taxiway over an existing access road, constructing a new general aviation apron over vegetated ground immediately adjacent to the existing

access road, surfacing both the taxiway and apron with crushed surface course, and constructing a drainage ditch between the general aviation apron and the existing snow removal equipment pad. Some vegetation clearing would occur beyond what was cleared in 2013 as part of the Manley Airport Relocation Project, which was originally permitted in 2005 and referenced as POA-2002-00393. The proposed project would be the third modification to the permit. The first two modifications were extensions of time allotted to complete the airport relocation. The proposed project would also install taxiway lighting, seed newly constructed side-slopes with grasses and forbs, and apply dust palliative to operational surfaces. Borrow and surfacing materials are to be contractor-furnished from a developed, commercially available source. All work would be performed in accordance with the enclosed plan (Sheets 1-5), dated November 2021.

After reviewing the application, the Department may certify there is reasonable assurance the activity, and any discharge that might result, will comply with the CWA, the Alaska Water Quality Standards, and other applicable State laws. The Department also may deny or waive certification.

The permit application and associated documents are available for review. For inquiries or to request copies of the documents, contact dec-401cert@alaska.gov, or call 907-269-6285.

Disability Reasonable Accommodation Notice

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